

In the Claims:

1-2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) ~~The A DRAM apparatus of Claim 2, comprising:~~

a storage cell including a transistor having a substrate well; and

a voltage adjuster coupled to said substrate well for adjusting a voltage on said substrate well; and

a word line driver final stage coupled to said transistor of said storage cell via a word line for accessing said storage cell;

wherein said voltage adjuster is coupled to said word line and is responsive to activation of said word line by said word line driver final stage for adjusting the voltage on said substrate well. wherein said input is a wordline.

4. (Currently Amended). The apparatus of Claim 3 ~~Claim 2~~, wherein said voltage adjuster includes a switch coupled to said input and said substrate well, said switch responsive to activation of said input for initiating adjustment of the voltage on said substrate well.

5. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 4, wherein said voltage adjuster includes a node at a predetermined voltage coupled to said switch.

6. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 5, wherein said node is coupled to said substrate well.

7. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 5, wherein said voltage adjuster includes a resistor connected in series between said switch and said node.
8. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 7, wherein said switch includes a transistor, said transistor having a gate coupled to said input, a drain coupled to said resistor and said substrate well, and a source coupled to a voltage source.
9. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 5, wherein said voltage adjuster includes a further node at a further predetermined voltage coupled to said switch.
10. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 9, wherein said voltage adjuster includes a resistor connected in series between said first-mentioned node and said switch, said switch responsive to activation of said input for connecting said resistor to said further node, said substrate well connected to said resistor.
11. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 10, wherein said first-mentioned voltage is approximately -0.5 volts and said further voltage is approximately 0 volts.
12. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim 3 ~~Claim 4~~, including a plurality of said storage cells having said substrate wells thereof connected together and also connected to said voltage adjuster.
13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) An ~~The~~ apparatus for controlling access to a data storage element in a memory device, comprising:

a transistor for accessing said data storage element, said transistor including a substrate well;

a circuit coupled to said substrate well for adjusting a voltage on said substrate well; and

a word line driver final stage coupled to said transistor via an input for accessing said storage element;

wherein said circuit is coupled to said input and is responsive to activation of said input by said word line driver final stage for adjusting the voltage on said substrate well.

~~of Claim 13, including an input coupled to said transistor for controlling access to said data storage element, said circuit coupled to said input and responsive to activation of said input for adjusting the voltage on said substrate well.~~

15. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 14, wherein said circuit includes a switch coupled to said input and said substrate well, said switch responsive to activation of said input for initiating adjustment of the voltage on said substrate well.

16. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said circuit includes a node at a predetermined voltage coupled to said switch.

17. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 16, wherein said circuit includes a further node at a further predetermined voltage coupled to said switch.

18. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 17, wherein said circuit includes a resistor connected in series between said first-mentioned node and said switch, said switch responsive to activation of said input for connecting said resistor to said further node, said substrate well connected to said resistor.

19. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13, wherein said data storage element includes a capacitor.

20-21. (Canceled)

22. (New) A DRAM apparatus, comprising:

a storage cell including a transistor having a substrate well;

a voltage adjuster coupled to said substrate well for adjusting a voltage on said substrate well; and

an input coupled to said storage cell for accessing said storage cell,

wherein said voltage adjuster includes a switch coupled to said input and said substrate well, said switch responsive to activation of said input for initiating adjustment of the voltage on said substrate well,

wherein said voltage adjuster includes a node at a predetermined voltage coupled to said switch, and

wherein said voltage adjuster includes a resistor connected in series between said switch and said node.

23. (New) The apparatus of Claim 22, wherein said switch includes a transistor, said transistor having a gate coupled to said input, a drain coupled to said resistor and said substrate well, and a source coupled to a voltage source.

24. (New) A DRAM apparatus, comprising:

a storage cell including a transistor having a substrate well;

a voltage adjuster coupled to said substrate well for adjusting a voltage on said substrate well; and

an input coupled to said storage cell for accessing said storage cell,

wherein said voltage adjuster includes a switch coupled to said input and said substrate well, said switch responsive to activation of said input for initiating adjustment of the voltage on said substrate well.

wherein said voltage adjuster includes a node at a predetermined voltage coupled to said switch,

wherein said voltage adjuster includes a further node at a further predetermined voltage coupled to said switch, and

wherein said voltage adjuster includes a resistor connected in series between said first-mentioned node and said switch, said switch responsive to activation of said input for connecting said resistor to said further node, said substrate well connected to said resistor.

25. (New) The apparatus of Claim 24, wherein said first-mentioned voltage is approximately - 0.5 volts and said further voltage is approximately 0 volts.

26. (New) An apparatus for controlling access to a data storage element in a memory device, comprising:

a transistor for accessing said data storage element, said transistor including a substrate well;

a circuit coupled to said substrate well for adjusting a voltage on said substrate well; and

an input coupled to said transistor for controlling access to said data storage element;

wherein said circuit includes a switch coupled to said input and said substrate well, said switch responsive to activation of said input for initiating adjustment of the voltage on said substrate well,

wherein said circuit includes a node at a predetermined voltage coupled to said switch,

wherein said circuit includes a further node at a further predetermined voltage coupled to said switch,

wherein said circuit includes a resistor connected in series between said first-mentioned node and said switch, said switch responsive to activation of said input for connecting said resistor to said further node, said substrate well connected to said resistor.